



Minutes of Regular Meeting
Board of Managers
Wednesday, September 10, 2014
Council Chambers, Chaska City Hall, 5:00 p.m.
Approved September 17, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

On Wednesday, September 10, 2014, at 5:09 PM in the Council Chambers of the Chaska City Hall, Chaska, Minnesota, President Francis called to order the special meeting of the Board of Managers of the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District (LMRWD) and asked for roll call to be taken. The following Managers were present: Kent Francis, and Yvonne Shirk. Also present was Linda Loomis, LMRWD Administrator.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

President Francis introduced this item.

Manager Francis made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Manager Shirk. The motion carried unanimously

3. PUBLIC HEARING - ADOPTING 2015 LMRWD BUDGET AND YAX LEVIES PAYABLE 2015

President Francis moved to open the continued public hearing. Manager Shirk seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Managers discussed the Administrative Budget and the total of planned expenses compared to the Levy request of \$250,000. Manager Shirk questioned the \$12,000 item under equipment leases. Administrator Loomis explained that was the cost to buy out the remaining lease on the copier. Manager Shirk also suggested increasing the amount for insurance to allow for the LMRWD to purchase Environmental Liability Insurance Coverage, if the Managers determined that it is prudent for the District to do so. Managers directed staff to increase the line in the Administrative Budget for Insurance.

Managers then discussed including a contingency in the budget for claims made by former Administrator Schwalbe. Managers determined to not include a contingency for this.

Administrator Loomis reported to the Managers that she has had a conversation with Attorney John Kolb about closing the LMRWD offices and whether the LMRWD could use a P.O. Box for mail. Mr. Kolb will research the legal requirements for Watershed District offices. Administrator Loomis reported her conversation with the Attorney revolved around the requirement to have someone to accept the service of legal papers. Managers discussed possible options and Administrator Loomis was directed to discuss those options with the Attorney.

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President Francis asked if anyone wished to speak to the Board.

Seeing and hearing no one, President Francis moved to closed the public hearing. Manager Shirk seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Manager Francis made a motion to approve Resolutions 14-08 through 14-11 Adopting 2015 LMRWD Budget and Property Tax Levies for Taxes Payable 2015, for a combined total of \$620,000 for the fiscal year commencing 2015, apportioned as follows: Carver County \$25,454.10; Dakota County \$77,726.92; Hennepin County \$279,574.12; Scott County \$237,244.86. Manager Shirk seconded the motion.

And a vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Francis, Shirk; and the following voted against: None, whereupon said resolutions were declared passed and adopted this 10th day of September, 2014. And said resolutions were ordered signed by the President and his signature attested by the Secretary.

4. ADJOURN

It was moved and seconded to adjourn at 5:35 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Kent Francis, President

Attest:

Linda Loomis, Administrator